

House Resolution 2195

By: Representatives Lunsford of the 110th, Bearden of the 68th, Yates of the 73rd, Ralston of the 7th, Levitas of the 82nd, and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring the life and memory of Officer James Franklin Carter, Jr.; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, our nation's security continues to rely on patriotic men and women who put
3 their personal lives on hold in order to place themselves in harm's way to protect the
4 freedoms that all United States citizens cherish; and

5 WHEREAS, the United States recently lost one of its finest and most distinguished citizens
6 in the untimely passing of Officer James Franklin Carter, Jr., on April 20, 2010; and

7 WHEREAS, Officer Carter was born on May 10, 1974, the beloved son of Jerry and James
8 Carter, Sr.; and

9 WHEREAS, raised in Clayton County, Georgia, Officer Carter graduated from Forest Park
10 High School and enlisted in the United States Army despite two college football scholarship
11 offers; and

12 WHEREAS, he served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the United
13 States Army for eight years and served as a law enforcement officer for 11 years with the
14 Henry County Police Department; and

15 WHEREAS, Officer Carter valiantly and courageously served as a field training officer,
16 school resource officer, K-9 handler, and detective in the Criminal Investigations Division;
17 and

18 WHEREAS, affectionately know as "Jimmy" to his friends and "Bubba" to his family,
19 Officer Carter was the proud father of two remarkable children, James "Jay" Carter III and
20 Audrey Rose; and

21 WHEREAS, the untimely passing of this American hero leaves an unfillable void in the
22 hearts and lives of his family and friends; and

23 WHEREAS, Officer Carter embodied the spirit of service, willing to find meaning in
24 something greater than himself, and it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding
25 accomplishments of this remarkable and distinguished American be recognized
26 appropriately.

27 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
28 the members of this body express their deepest and most sincere regret at the passing of
29 Officer James Franklin Carter, Jr.; commend his efficient, effective, unselfish, and dedicated
30 public service to the citizens of his country and Henry County; and extend to his family their
31 most profound appreciation for all members of the United States military who stand ever
32 ready to lay the ultimate sacrifice upon the altar of freedom.

33 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
34 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the family of Officer James
35 Franklin Carter, Jr.